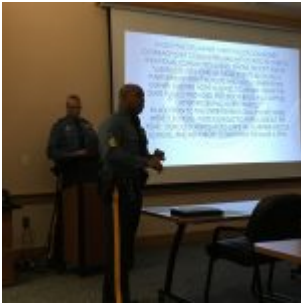


Troop 7, Lewes Presents a “Year in Review” to the Communities We Serve





The Delaware State Police Troop 7 Administration held a community meeting on Wednesday, April, 18, 2018 at the DNREC Conference Room, 901 Pilottown Road, Lewes, led by Captain Darren Short. Troopers were privileged to have hosted a meeting where the public was provided with an overview of the great work done by the men and women of DSP Troop 7 in 2017. Achieving a 49.2% reduction in Burglaries, a 14.3% reduction in Thefts, 11.1% reduction in Fatal Crashes as well as a 32.9% reduction in Shopliftings simply exemplifies the exceptional work the troopers are doing. Moreover, when you examine many of our clearance rates of crime we demonstrate a deep desire to solve our crime. With a Robbery Clearance rate of 46.9% and an Aggravated Assault clearance rate of 64.9% clearly shows the dedication of our troopers to solve crime when it occurs.

Equally important to our crime fighting and traffic enforcement measures is our commitment to suppress and prevent crime through our community outreach and engagement efforts. In 2017, Troop 7 embarked on several community based programs to build trust, open lines of communication, foster positive and open relationships that are inclusive of all citizens and the police, all aimed at crime reduction and making our communities as safe as possible. Some of the most memorable events in 2017 included:

- The 2nd Annual Delaware State Police Honorary Commander Program
- Community Outreach Focus Group
- Community Café at Surf Bagel in Lewes
- Neighborhood Watch Program

- Church, Community, and Home Safety Assessments

These pro-active efforts not only provide the community with a better understanding of the Delaware State Police, it also enhances Troopers awareness of the various cultures that exist within the communities they serve.

We truly appreciate and thank all those in attendance, including Secretary of the Delaware Department of Safety and Homeland Security Robert Coupe and Senator Ernie Lopez for joining us to learn more about DSP T7.

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